

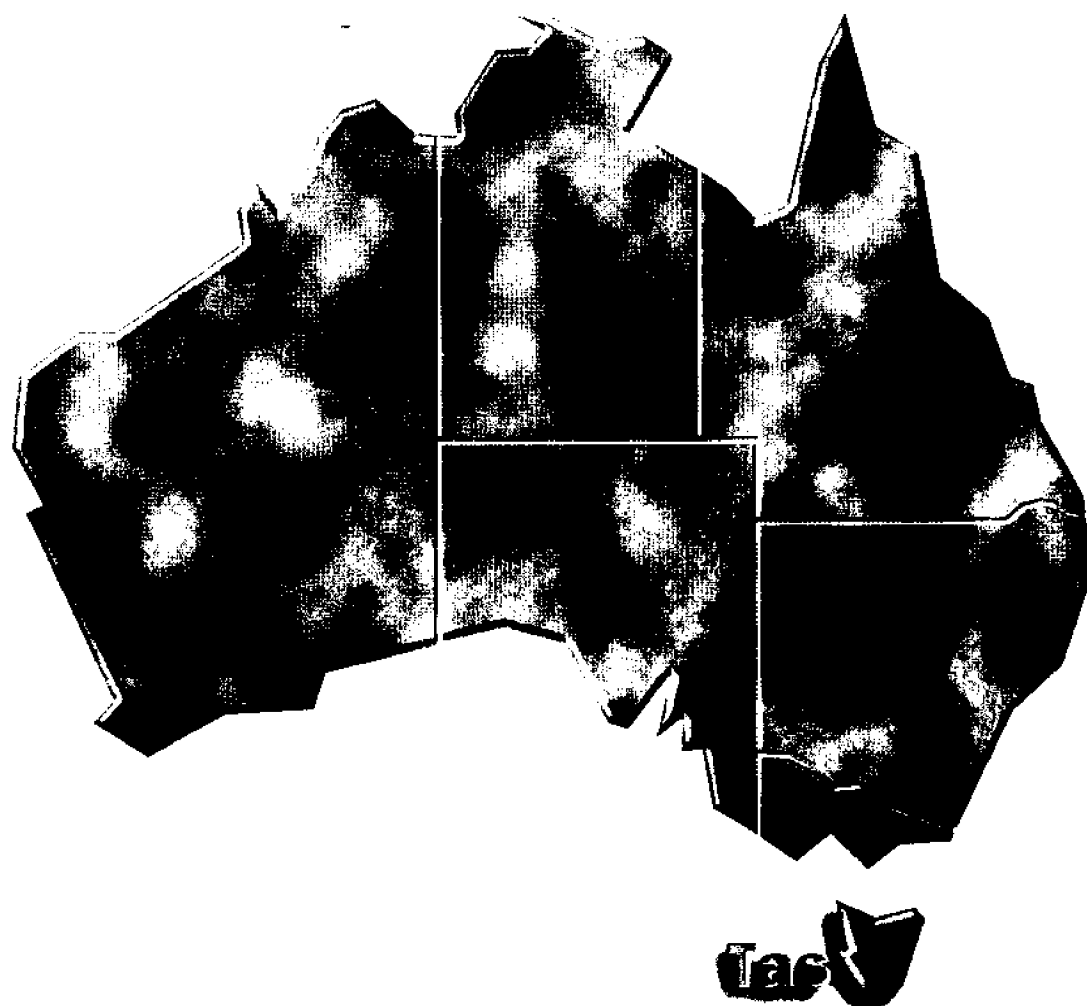


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## PREFACE

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This publication presents a range of social and housing statistics produced from the 1996 Census of Population and Housing for Tasmania and its regions. Together with census population counts, it includes tables of selected census data which describe the characteristics of people living in each area and their housing arrangements. Similar publications are available for each State/Territory, and nationally.

Detailed characteristics from the 1996 Census are being released in two stages. The first release consists of demographic, social and housing data. The second release, comprising family and labour force related data, will be provided progressively State by State from August 1997.

The data presented in this publication relate to where people were enumerated on census night. They should not be confused with the official estimated resident population (ERP) figures, which are derived by including in the census usual residence counts the following:

- estimates of Australians overseas;
- an adjustment for estimated underenumeration; and
- adjustments for births, deaths and migration, between 30 June and 6 August 1996.

Census data presented in this publication represent only a selection of the full range of statistics that could be derived from the census. For further information about other census or ABS data refer to the Appendix — Census Products and Services, or the *Directory of Census Statistics* (Cat. no. 2910.0). Concepts and definitions used in this publication are explained in the Glossary and more detailed information is available in the *Census Dictionary* (Cat. no. 2901.0).

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## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

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### STATE OVERVIEW

The 1996 Census of Population and Housing counted 459,659 people in Tasmania on census night, 95.7% of whom were counted at home. This represents a growth of 1.5% (6,822 people) in Tasmania's population count since 1991 (452,837).

The number of people counted in occupied private dwellings increased by 1.6% since the 1991 Census, from 439,098 to 446,312. Over the same period, however, the average number of people per occupied private dwelling declined, from an occupancy rate of 2.7 to 2.5 people per dwelling.

### AGE

Tasmania's population is ageing, with a median age of 34 years in 1996 compared to 32 years in 1991. Close to a quarter (22.7%) of the State's population in 1996 were aged 0-14 years, 13.9% were aged 15-24, 29.8% were aged 25-44, 21.0% were aged 45-64 and 12.3% were aged 65 years and over.

### BIRTHPLACE\*

The majority (85.9%) of people counted in Tasmania were Australian-born. Of those people born overseas, over half (57.1%) were from the United Kingdom, Ireland or New Zealand. The remaining overseas-born people were predominantly from the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Poland, the United States of America, South Africa and Malaysia.

### INDIGENOUS ORIGIN

The number of people who reported being of Indigenous origin increased by 56.1% between 1991 and 1996, from 8,885 to 13,873. This represents an increase from 2.0% to 3.0% of the total Tasmanian population. This increase is partly explained by people's increased willingness to declare their Indigenous origin.

### EDUCATION

In 1996, 24,097 people were reported to be attending a Technical or Further Educational Institution, university or other tertiary institution, representing 5.2% of the population.

### INCOME

The median weekly personal income for people aged 15 years and over in 1996 was \$257 (approximately \$13,364 p.a.). The corresponding median for 1991 was \$237 (\$12,324).

### DWELLINGS

Over two-fifths (42.4%) of the occupied private dwellings counted in Tasmania were owned by their occupants, 27.0% were being purchased and 26.3% were rented. These levels were similar to those of 1991.

## REGIONAL OVERVIEW

### SEX

There were slightly more females than males counted in Tasmania on census night (50.8% and 49.2% of the total Tasmanian population respectively). Females outnumbered males in all Statistical Divisions (SDs), with the exception of Southern SD, which reported a higher proportion of males (51.3%) than females.

Outside the urban-based Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs) of Greater Hobart, Greater Launceston and Burnie-Devonport, where most of the Tasmanian population live, the situation is reversed. More males than females were counted in the SSDs of Lyell (54.2%), North Western Rural (51.6%), Southern (51.3%) and North Eastern (51.2%).

The Statistical Local Areas (SLAs) of Launceston - Inner and George Town - Part B recorded the highest proportions of males in the State (65.9% and 55.4% respectively). Central Highlands (54.5%), Latrobe - Part B (54.4%) and West Coast (54.2%) also recorded high proportions of males, partially due to a largely male workforce in these areas. High proportions of females were recorded in Launceston - Part B (52.0%), Kingborough - Part A (51.8%), Glenorchy (51.8%), Devonport (51.7%), Hobart - Remainder (51.6%) and Central Coast - Part A (51.6%).

### AGE

Although there was little variation in median age at the SD level, there were differences in the age profiles, as indicated by the distribution of people aged 65 years and over. While Southern SD recorded the lowest proportion (10.7%) of people in this age group, it recorded the highest median age of 35 years, indicating a largely adult population. The remaining SDs recorded high proportions of people aged 65 years and over (between 12.0% and 12.8%), but their common median age of 34 indicated relatively high proportions of younger people in their populations.

At the SSD level, the highest median ages were recorded in North Eastern (37 years), Central North and Southern (35 years in each case). Interestingly, of these SSDs only North Eastern recorded a high percentage of people aged 65 years and over (14.1%), indicating a relatively old age profile. North Western Rural recorded the lowest median age (32 years), partially because of the recently established mining operation attracting young males.

Many of the SLAs with the highest median ages were situated in outlying areas across the State. Such areas included Glamorgan/Spring Bay (39 years), Break O'Day and Kingborough - Part B (both 38 years), Tasman and Flinders (both 37 years). The first two areas mentioned also recorded high proportions of people aged 65 years and over (15.1% and 14.8% respectively). Hobart - Inner also recorded a high median age (42 years) and a high proportion of people aged 65 years and over (17.3%). Fifteen percent (15.0%) of people in Glenorchy were aged 65 years and over.

The lowest median ages were recorded in the SLAs of Meander Valley - Part A (30 years), West Coast (30 years) and Brighton (26 years). The last two areas mentioned also recorded low percentages of people aged 65 years and over (6.2% and 4.7% respectively).

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

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### BIRTHPLACE

#### Australian-born

The high proportion of people who were born in Australia was evident throughout the State, ranging from 84.1% in Greater Hobart SSD to 88.5% in North Eastern SSD.

#### Overseas-born

The highest concentrations of overseas-born people were located in the SLAs of Kingborough - Part B (17.0%), Hobart - Remainder (16.9%), Kingborough - Part A (16.4%), Launceston - Inner (16.4%), West Tamar - Part A (14.0%) and George Town - Part A (13.2%).

The highest proportions of persons born in the United Kingdom, Ireland or New Zealand were recorded in Kingborough - Part B (10.9%) and Part A (9.6%), and George Town - Part A (9.0%). Persons born in other countries were concentrated in Hobart - Remainder (9.5%), Launceston - Inner (7.9%), Kingborough - Part A (6.8%), Glenorchy and Kingborough - Part B (6.1% each).

### SPEAKS ANOTHER LANGUAGE AT HOME

People aged 5 years and over who reported speaking a language other than English at home were mainly earlier immigrant groups, for example the Dutch, Germans and Italians, who continued to speak their native language at home. They were predominantly located close to Greater Hobart and Greater Launceston, areas that have typically been the initial settlement locations for immigrants. These included Hobart - Remainder (8.2%), Launceston - Inner (7.6%) and Glenorchy (6.4%).

### INDIGENOUS ORIGIN

The increase since 1991 in the numbers of people reporting to be of Indigenous origin was not uniformly distributed across Tasmania. Southern SSD and Central North SSD recorded the highest rates of increase in the numbers of people reporting to be of Indigenous origin (increasing by 67.4% and 66.4% respectively), while Lyell SSD recorded the lowest rate of increase (44.9%).

Southern SSD and Lyell SSD contained the highest proportions of people reporting to be of Indigenous origin: 5.8% (1,930 people) and 4.7% (297), representing increases from 3.6% and 2.7% respectively in 1991.

SLAs with the highest proportions of people reporting to be of Indigenous origin included the areas of Flinders (15.8%), Huon Valley (9.5%), Latrobe - Part B (6.7%), Brighton (5.8%) and Central Coast - Part B (5.7%).

### INCOME

Median weekly personal income levels for people aged 15 years and over ranged from \$221 in Southern SD to \$283 in Greater Hobart SD.

At the SSD level, Greater Hobart recorded the highest median income (\$283), closely followed by the mining area of Lyell (\$273). The lowest median income levels were recorded in the SSDs of Southern (\$221), Central North (\$219) and North Eastern (\$211).

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

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### INCOME *continued*

The residents of the metropolitan SLAs of Launceston - Inner and Hobart - Inner recorded median incomes well above the State average of \$257 (\$468 and \$387 respectively). The areas reporting the lowest median incomes were the rural areas of Tasman (\$197), George Town - Part B (\$195) and Break O'Day (\$188).

### TENURE TYPE

Levels of home ownership varied widely across Tasmania. The highest home ownership rates were recorded in the SSDs of Lyell (53.1%), North Eastern (50.9%) and Central North (50.1%).

At the SLA level, Central Coast - Part B (55.9%), Break O'Day (53.9%) and Latrobe - Part B (53.8%) recorded the highest home ownership rates. The high levels of home ownership in such areas were partly associated with a high median age and the stability of their populations.

Higher proportions of dwellings being purchased were generally located in the faster growth areas on the fringe areas of Greater Hobart and Greater Launceston. Such areas with high proportions of dwellings being purchased included Meander Valley - Part A (40.7%), Sorell - Part A (39.3%), Kingborough - Part A (34.9%), West Tamar - Part B (34.8%), and Northern Midlands - Part A (33.7%). Burnie - Part B (35.5%) and Derwent Valley - Part B (34.1%) also recorded high levels.

The major areas containing rental dwellings were located close to the city centres: Launceston - Inner (71.9%) and Hobart - Inner (50.0%). Aside from these areas, SLAs containing high proportions of rented accommodation were Brighton (43.6%) and Hobart - Remainder (35.5%).

### RENT PAYMENTS

The median rent payment for Tasmania increased by 21.6% since the 1991 Census, rising from \$74 to \$90 per week in 1996.

There was significant variation in median rent paid at the SLA level across the State. The highest median rent payments were recorded in the metropolitan areas of Hobart - Inner (\$128), Kingborough - Part A (\$120) and Meander Valley - Part A (\$120); while the lowest amounts were recorded in the traditional mining and rural areas of West Coast (\$43), Central Highlands (\$35) and Waratah/Wynyard - Part B (\$30).

### HOUSING LOAN REPAYMENTS

Between 1991 and 1996, the median housing loan repayment for the State increased by 40.0%, from \$418 to \$585 per month.

Median housing loan repayment amounts ranged from \$542 in both Southern and Mersey-Lyell SDs to \$620 in Greater Hobart SD.

Generally, higher housing loan payments were associated with the metropolitan SLAs, including Hobart - Remainder (\$737), Meander Valley - Part A (\$668) and Kingborough - Part A (\$650).

## SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS—1996 and 1991 Censuses

Statistical Division (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD), and Statistical Local Area (SLA)	Male	Female	Persons	Median age (years)	Prop'n of pop'n 65 years & over (%)	Indigenous origin	Australian- born	O'seas-born (UK, Ireland & NZ)	O'seas-born (Other)	Speaks other language at home (5 years & over)	Median personal weekly income (\$)
GREATER HOBART (SD)											
Greater Hobart (SSD)											
Brighton (M)	6 088	6 383	12 471	26	4.7	727	11 430	326	250	156	231
Clarence (C)	23 211	24 250	47 461	35	12.6	1 153	41 459	2 799	1 618	1 068	289
Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	3 259	3 294	6 553	34	12.2	163	5 837	262	125	80	246
Glenorchy (C)	20 774	22 292	43 066	35	15.0	1 335	36 622	1 836	2 648	2 564	253
Hobart (C) - Inner	558	501	1 059	42	17.3	17	693	61	61	42	387
Hobart (C) - Remainder	22 087	23 530	45 617	34	14.1	536	35 920	3 362	4 325	3 557	313
Kingborough (M) - Pt A	11 836	12 714	24 550	33	10.3	568	19 773	2 360	1 658	1 000	325
Sorell (M) - Pt A	4 573	4 594	9 167	32	9.6	206	8 062	484	251	186	270
Total Greater Hobart (SSD) 1996	92 386	97 558	189 944	34	12.5	4 705	159 796	11 490	10 936	8 653	283
Total Greater Hobart (SSD) 1991	90 278	95 274	185 552	32	11.7	3 058	158 615	12 249	11 058	9 119	260
TOTAL GREATER HOBART (SD) 1996	92 386	97 558	189 944	34	12.5	4 705	159 796	11 490	10 936	8 653	283
TOTAL GREATER HOBART (SD) 1991	90 278	95 274	185 552	32	11.7	3 058	158 615	12 249	11 058	9 119	260
SOUTHERN (SD)											
Southern (SSD)											
Central Highlands (M)	1 391	1 159	2 550	35	10.5	94	2 314	97	37	21	215
Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	1 593	1 392	2 985	32	6.2	113	2 652	178	57	19	214
Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	2 061	1 974	4 035	39	15.1	105	3 446	203	80	40	227
Huon Valley (M)	6 522	6 385	12 907	34	10.3	1 231	10 970	948	461	297	225
Kingborough (M) - Pt B	1 161	1 128	2 289	38	10.6	94	1 820	249	140	91	244
Sorell (M) - Pt B	499	448	947	34	9.5	43	853	35	23	13	202
Southern Midlands (M)	2 716	2 608	5 324	35	10.7	147	4 835	210	86	55	217
Tasman (M)	1 144	1 112	2 256	37	11.5	103	1 922	139	56	25	197
Total Southern (SSD) 1996	17 087	16 206	33 293	35	10.7	1 930	28 812	2 059	940	561	221
Total Southern (SSD) 1991	16 432	15 171	31 603	33	10.2	1 153	28 233	1 881	896	535	210
TOTAL SOUTHERN (SD) 1996	17 087	16 206	33 293	35	10.7	1 930	28 812	2 059	940	561	221
TOTAL SOUTHERN (SD) 1991	16 432	15 171	31 603	33	10.2	1 153	28 233	1 881	896	535	210
NORTHERN (SD)											
Greater Launceston (SSD)											
George Town (M) - Pt A	2 833	2 821	5 654	32	10.6	160	4 654	508	240	148	213
Launceston (C) - Inner	282	146	428	34	6.5	10	304	36	34	32	468
Launceston (C) - Pt B	28 386	30 792	59 178	33	14.3	1 398	51 129	3 087	2 703	1 914	248

SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS—1996 and 1991 Censuses *continued*

Statistical Division (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD), and Statistical Local Area (SLA)	Male	Female	Persons	Median age (years)	Prop'n of pop'n 65 years & over (%)	Indigenous origin	Australian- born	O'seas-born (UK, Ireland & NZ)	O'seas-born (Other)	Speaks other language at home (5 years & over)	Median personal weekly income (\$)
Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	3 324	3 458	6 782	30	7.3	82	5 996	346	248	184	335
Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	3 373	3 460	6 833	34	12.2	106	6 083	358	159	88	266
West Tamar (M) - Pt A	8 484	8 623	17 107	35	12.2	209	14 231	1 392	1 005	552	268
Total Greater Launceston (SSD) 1996	46 682	49 300	95 982	33	13.0	1 965	82 397	5 727	4 389	2 918	256
Total Greater Launceston (SSD) 1991	45 800	47 781	93 581	31	12.2	1 260	81 579	6 102	4 315	3 052	236
Central North (SSD)											
George Town (M) - Pt B	553	446	999	35	8.6	26	894	47	20	3	195
Launceston (C) - Pt C	1 440	1 385	2 825	33	6.5	33	2 459	153	137	84	230
Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	4 977	5 014	9 991	36	13.1	226	8 712	658	273	101	216
Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	2 325	2 213	4 538	35	12.1	78	4 108	185	75	29	217
West Tamar (M) - Pt B	873	893	1 766	33	5.4	33	1 535	117	38	14	242
Total Central North (SSD) 1996	10 168	9 951	20 119	35	11.0	396	17 708	1 160	543	231	219
Total Central North (SSD) 1991	10 167	9 996	20 163	32	10.7	238	18 178	1 128	546	264	208
North Eastern (SSD)											
Break O'Day (M)	2 858	2 786	5 644	38	14.8	128	4 833	362	185	85	188
Dorset (M)	3 633	3 462	7 095	35	13.8	124	6 496	261	140	75	237
Flinders (M)	498	426	924	37	11.5	146	768	31	29	15	249
Total North Eastern (SSD) 1996	6 989	6 674	13 663	37	14.1	398	12 097	654	354	175	211
Total North Eastern (SSD) 1991	6 836	6 457	13 293	34	13.1	244	12 061	602	336	216	201
TOTAL NORTHERN (SD) 1996	63 839	65 925	129 764	34	12.8	2 759	112 202	7 541	5 286	3 324	246
TOTAL NORTHERN (SD) 1991	62 803	64 234	127 037	32	12.0	1 742	111 818	7 832	5 197	3 532	227
MERSEY-LYELL (SD)											
Burnie-Devonport (SSD)											
Burnie (C) - Pt A	8 350	8 852	17 202	33	12.3	676	15 274	769	535	317	232
Central Coast (M) - Pt A	8 307	8 841	17 148	35	14.3	834	15 129	823	463	257	226
Devonport (C)	11 493	12 321	23 814	34	13.5	794	20 909	1 293	626	406	237
Latrobe (M) - Pt A	3 503	3 455	6 958	36	13.8	291	6 223	349	183	101	238
Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	5 179	5 487	10 666	34	13.7	541	9 482	603	208	134	220
Total Burnie-Devonport (SSD) 1996	36 832	38 956	75 788	34	13.5	3 136	67 017	3 837	2 015	1 215	231
Total Burnie-Devonport (SSD) 1991	37 008	39 052	76 060	32	12.4	2 088	68 486	4 054	2 057	1 240	217
North Western Rural (SSD)											
Burnie (C) - Pt B	1 076	1 005	2 081	32	6.7	68	1 853	96	54	16	261
Central Coast (M) - Pt B	1 664	1 568	3 232	32	7.4	183	2 814	189	97	64	240
Circular Head (M)	4 147	3 961	8 108	32	9.8	438	7 246	425	157	83	273

SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS—1996 and 1991 Censuses *continued*

Statistical Division (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD), and Statistical Local Area (SLA)	Male	Female	Persons	Median age (years)	Prop'n of pop'n 65 years & over (%)	Indigenous origin	Australian- born	O'seas-born (UK, Ireland & NZ)	O'seas-born (Other)	Speaks other language at home (5 years & over)	Median personal weekly income (\$)
Kentish (M)	2 716	2 615	5 331	33	9.3	151	4 646	303	140	97	209
King Island (M)	957	840	1 797	34	10.6	32	1 549	110	93	54	324
Latrobe (M) - Pt B	364	305	669	33	9.0	45	618	24	5	3	281
Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	1 398	1 286	2 684	32	5.6	119	2 275	209	88	38	233
Total North Western Rural (SSD) 1996	12 322	11 580	23 902	32	8.7	1 036	21 001	1 356	634	355	253
Total North Western Rural (SSD) 1991	12 548	11 779	24 327	30	8.0	634	21 933	1 269	717	379	232
Lyell (SSD)											
West Coast (M)	3 431	2 905	6 336	30	6.2	297	5 541	307	189	103	273
Total Lyell (SSD) 1996	3 431	2 905	6 336	30	6.2	297	5 541	307	189	103	273
Total Lyell (SSD) 1991	4 196	3 401	7 597	29	4.5	205	6 744	313	265	177	320
TOTAL MERSEY-LYELL (SD) 1996	52 585	53 441	106 026	34	12.0	4 469	93 559	5 500	2 838	1 673	237
TOTAL MERSEY-LYELL (SD) 1991	53 752	54 232	107 984	31	10.9	2 927	97 163	5 636	3 039	1 796	224
OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY (SD)											
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory (SSD)											
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory	441	191	632	42	13.1	10	405	76	37	32	676
Total Off-Shore Areas & Migratory (SSD) 1996	441	191	632	42	13.1	10	405	76	37	32	676
Total Off-Shore Areas & Migratory (SSD) 1991	490	171	661	40	6.2	5	484	121	49	37	628
TOTAL OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY (SD) 1996	441	191	632	42	13.1	10	405	76	37	32	676
TOTAL OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY (SD) 1991	490	171	661	40	6.2	5	484	121	49	37	628
<b>TOTAL TASMANIA 1996</b>	<b>226 338</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 659</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>13 873</b>	<b>394 774</b>	<b>26 666</b>	<b>20 037</b>	<b>14 243</b>	<b>257</b>
<b>TOTAL TASMANIA 1991</b>	<b>223 755</b>	<b>229 082</b>	<b>452 837</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>8 885</b>	<b>396 313</b>	<b>27 719</b>	<b>20 239</b>	<b>15 019</b>	<b>237</b>

## HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS—1996 and 1991 Censuses

## OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS.....

Statistical Division (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD), and Statistical Local Area (SLA)	Fully owned	Being purchased (incl. rent/buy)	Rented (includes rent free)	Other (incl. not stated)	Total occ. private dwellings	Median weekly rent (\$)	Median mthly housing loan repayments (\$)	Persons in occ. private dwellings	Unoccupied private dwellings	Non- private dwellings	Total dwellings
GREATER HOBART (SD)											
Greater Hobart (SSD)											
Brighton (M)	820	1 349	1 772	124	4 065	67	600	12 363	217	5	4 287
Clarence (C)	7 400	5 727	4 007	589	17 723	100	600	46 581	1 520	25	19 268
Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	993	672	577	115	2 357	80	563	6 266	162	14	2 533
Glenorchy (C)	6 746	4 885	4 963	706	17 300	100	563	42 470	1 209	33	18 542
Hobart (C) - Inner	25	21	65	19	130	128	975	259	17	17	164
Hobart (C) - Remainder	7 158	4 076	6 735	1 004	18 973	115	737	42 720	2 076	113	21 162
Kingborough (M) - Pt A	3 753	3 055	1 614	327	8 749	120	650	24 258	631	9	9 389
Sorell (M) - Pt A	1 334	1 369	626	152	3 481	100	610	9 156	1 210	4	4 695
Total Greater Hobart (SSD) 1996	28 229	21 154	20 359	3 036	72 778	100	620	184 073	7 042	220	80 040
Total Greater Hobart (SSD) 1991	25 273	20 937	18 073	3 118	67 401	84	432	179 780	5 654	204	73 259
TOTAL GREATER HOBART (SD) 1996	28 229	21 154	20 359	3 036	72 778	100	620	184 073	7 042	220	80 040
TOTAL GREATER HOBART (SD) 1991	25 273	20 937	18 073	3 118	67 401	84	432	179 780	5 654	204	73 259
SOUTHERN (SD)											
Southern (SSD)											
Central Highlands (M)	446	145	305	64	960	35	477	2 471	1 515	12	2 487
Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	432	338	191	30	991	60	548	2 914	174	7	1 172
Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	874	304	362	141	1 681	80	542	3 891	1 407	24	3 112
Huon Valley (M)	2 287	1 314	916	197	4 714	90	542	12 771	1 120	18	5 852
Kingborough (M) - Pt B	456	244	155	52	907	85	585	2 275	566	7	1 480
Sorell (M) - Pt B	179	102	49	19	349	75	503	947	134	—	483
Southern Midlands (M)	971	532	365	106	1 974	50	571	5 297	283	4	2 261
Tasman (M)	464	185	164	88	901	60	433	2 126	1 016	11	1 928
Total Southern (SSD) 1996	6 109	3 164	2 507	697	12 477	70	542	32 692	6 215	83	18 775
Total Southern (SSD) 1991	5 582	2 624	2 163	850	11 219	55	408	31 028	5 269	75	16 563
TOTAL SOUTHERN (SD) 1996	6 109	3 164	2 507	697	12 477	70	542	32 692	6 215	83	18 775
TOTAL SOUTHERN (SD) 1991	5 582	2 624	2 163	850	11 219	55	408	31 028	5 269	75	16 563
NORTHERN (SD)											
Greater Launceston (SSD)											
George Town (M) - Pt A	754	567	689	82	2 092	70	531	5 548	295	9	2 396



HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS—1996 and 1991 Censuses *continued*

## OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS.....

Statistical Division (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD), and Statistical Local Area (SLA)	Fully owned	Being purchased (incl. rent/buy)	Rented (includes rent free)	Other (incl. not stated)	Total occ. private dwellings	Median weekly rent (\$)	Median mthly housing loan repayments (\$)	Persons in occ. private dwellings	Unoccupied private dwellings	Non- private dwellings	Total dwellings
Launceston (C) - Inner	21	7	87	6	121	100	867	212	28	11	160
Launceston (C) - Pt B	9 147	5 784	7 487	958	23 376	95	563	56 517	2 004	107	25 487
Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	859	993	536	54	2 442	120	668	6 661	176	3	2 621
Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	1 104	858	470	116	2 548	90	607	6 739	176	8	2 732
West Tamar (M) - Pt A	3 187	1 869	1 029	233	6 318	100	613	16 918	951	14	7 283
Total Greater Launceston (SSD) 1996	15 072	10 078	10 298	1 449	36 897	96	594	92 595	3 630	152	40 679
Total Greater Launceston (SSD) 1991	14 076	9 310	9 122	1 467	33 975	85	432	90 030	2 900	134	37 009
Central North (SSD)											
George Town (M) - Pt B	183	108	58	18	367	60	600	999	404	—	771
Launceston (C) - Pt C	499	317	124	40	980	60	600	2 823	94	3	1 077
Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	1 939	915	733	159	3 746	71	526	9 842	453	16	4 215
Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	803	330	512	95	1 740	50	514	4 476	409	10	2 159
West Tamar (M) - Pt B	302	208	62	25	597	90	633	1 764	74	—	671
Total Central North (SSD) 1996	3 726	1 878	1 489	337	7 430	60	542	19 904	1 434	29	8 893
Total Central North (SSD) 1991	3 646	1 577	1 337	505	7 065	56	413	19 942	1 369	29	8 463
North Eastern (SSD)											
Break O'Day (M)	1 250	431	507	130	2 318	75	466	5 540	1 515	16	3 849
Dorset (M)	1 357	644	597	124	2 722	70	598	7 000	742	11	3 475
Flinders (M)	158	58	128	48	392	53	519	914	176	3	571
Total North Eastern (SSD) 1996	2 765	1 133	1 232	302	5 432	70	542	13 454	2 433	30	7 895
Total North Eastern (SSD) 1991	2 576	932	1 040	415	4 963	58	392	12 986	2 137	38	7 138
TOTAL NORTHERN (SD) 1996	21 563	13 089	13 019	2 088	49 759	90	581	125 953	7 497	211	57 467
TOTAL NORTHERN (SD) 1991	20 298	11 819	11 499	2 387	46 003	78	426	122 958	6 406	201	52 610
MERSEY-LYELL (SD)											
Burnie-Devonport (SSD)											
Burnie (C) - Pt A	2 736	1 661	1 984	253	6 634	82	511	16 670	753	27	7 414
Central Coast (M) - Pt A	3 065	1 703	1 561	279	6 608	90	548	16 822	514	18	7 140
Devonport (C)	4 023	2 250	2 704	385	9 362	90	542	23 339	744	29	10 135
Latrobe (M) - Pt A	1 261	685	546	111	2 603	95	560	6 729	478	12	3 093
Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	1 873	976	1 063	180	4 092	82	542	10 458	613	13	4 718
Total Burnie-Devonport (SSD) 1996	12 958	7 275	7 858	1 208	29 299	88	542	74 018	3 102	99	32 500
Total Burnie-Devonport (SSD) 1991	11 890	7 348	6 999	1 424	27 661	70	380	74 355	2 492	90	30 243

HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS—1996 and 1991 Censuses *continued*

## OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS.....

Statistical Division (SD), Statistical Subdivision (SSD), and Statistical Local Area (SLA)	Fully owned	Being purchased (incl. rent/buy)	Rented (includes rent free)	Other (incl. not stated)	Total occ. private dwellings	Median weekly rent (\$)	Median mthly housing loan repayments (\$)	Persons in occ. private dwellings	Unoccupied private dwellings	Non- private dwellings	Total dwellings
North Western Rural (SSD)											
Burnie (C) - Pt B	349	255	89	26	719	80	583	2 081	46	—	765
Central Coast (M) - Pt B	609	310	115	56	1 090	80	618	3 231	86	—	1 176
Circular Head (M)	1 282	750	752	126	2 910	68	542	7 957	591	20	3 521
Kentish (M)	996	480	304	83	1 863	80	511	5 137	239	6	2 108
King Island (M)	310	142	225	21	698	69	558	1 768	226	4	928
Latrobe (M) - Pt B	129	60	40	11	240	55	607	669	33	—	273
Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	425	267	179	43	914	30	553	2 677	207	3	1 124
Total North Western Rural (SSD) 1996	4 100	2 264	1 704	366	8 434	65	542	23 520	1 428	33	9 895
Total North Western Rural (SSD) 1991	3 910	1 953	1 598	653	8 114	53	414	23 956	1 367	26	9 507
Lyell (SSD)											
West Coast (M)	1 301	328	695	126	2 450	43	356	6 056	643	41	3 134
Total Lyell (SSD) 1996	1 301	328	695	126	2 450	43	356	6 056	643	41	3 134
Total Lyell (SSD) 1991	1 142	317	909	235	2 603	48	255	7 021	576	29	3 208
TOTAL MERSEY-LYELL (SD) 1996	18 359	9 867	10 257	1 700	40 183	80	542	103 594	5 173	173	45 529
TOTAL MERSEY-LYELL (SD) 1991	16 942	9 618	9 506	2 312	38 378	64	383	105 332	4 435	145	42 958
OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY (SD)											
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory (SSD)											
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
Total Off-Shore Areas & Migratory (SSD) 1996	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
Total Off-Shore Areas & Migratory (SSD) 1991	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40
TOTAL OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY (SD) 1996	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
TOTAL OFF-SHORE AREAS & MIGRATORY (SD) 1991	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40
<b>TOTAL TASMANIA 1996</b>	<b>74 260</b>	<b>47 274</b>	<b>46 142</b>	<b>7 521</b>	<b>175 197</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>446 312</b>	<b>25 927</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>201 820</b>
<b>TOTAL TASMANIA 1991</b>	<b>68 095</b>	<b>44 998</b>	<b>41 241</b>	<b>8 667</b>	<b>163 001</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>439 098</b>	<b>21 764</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>185 430</b>

## STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS, Ranked by Total Number of Persons—1996 Census

Rank	Statistical Local Area	Persons	Rank	Statistical Local Area	Persons
1	Launceston (C) - Pt B	59 178	23	Break O'Day (M)	5 644
2	Clarence (C)	47 461	24	Kentish (M)	5 331
3	Hobart (C) - Remainder	45 617	25	Southern Midlands (M)	5 324
4	Glenorchy (C)	43 066	26	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	4 538
5	Kingborough (M) - Pt A	24 550	27	Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	4 035
6	Devonport (C)	23 814	28	Central Coast (M) - Pt B	3 232
7	Burnie (C) - Pt A	17 202	29	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	2 985
8	Central Coast (M) - Pt A	17 148	30	Launceston (C) - Pt C	2 825
9	West Tamar (M) - Pt A	17 107	31	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	2 684
10	Huon Valley (M)	12 907	32	Central Highlands (M)	2 550
11	Brighton (M)	12 471	33	Kingborough (M) - Pt B	2 289
12	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	10 666	34	Tasman (M)	2 256
13	Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	9 991	35	Burnie (C) - Pt B	2 081
14	Sorell (M) - Pt A	9 167	36	King Island (M)	1 797
15	Circular Head (M)	8 108	37	West Tamar (M) - Pt B	1 766
16	Dorset (M)	7 095	38	Hobart (C) - Inner	1 059
17	Latrobe (M) - Pt A	6 958	39	George Town (M) - Pt B	999
18	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	6 833	40	Sorell (M) - Pt B	947
19	Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	6 782	41	Flinders (M)	924
20	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	6 553	42	Latrobe (M) - Pt B	669
21	West Coast (M)	6 336	43	Launceston (C) - Inner	428
22	George Town (M) - Pt A	5 654			

Rank	Statistical Local Area	Median age (years)	Rank	Statistical Local Area	Median age (years)
1	Hobart (C) - Inner	42	23	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	34
2	Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	39	24	Hobart (C) - Remainder	34
3	Kingborough (M) - Pt B	38	25	Devonport (C)	34
4	Break O'Day (M)	38	26	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	34
5	Flinders (M)	37	27	Latrobe (M) - Pt B	33
6	Tasman (M)	37	28	West Tamar (M) - Pt B	33
7	Latrobe (M) - Pt A	36	29	Launceston (C) - Pt B	33
8	Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	36	30	Kentish (M)	33
9	Central Coast (M) - Pt A	35	31	Launceston (C) - Pt C	33
10	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	35	32	Burnie (C) - Pt A	33
11	Dorset (M)	35	33	Kingborough (M) - Pt A	33
12	George Town (M) - Pt B	35	34	Sorell (M) - Pt A	32
13	Clarence (C)	35	35	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	32
14	Central Highlands (M)	35	36	George Town (M) - Pt A	32
15	Glenorchy (C)	35	37	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	32
16	West Tamar (M) - Pt A	35	38	Central Coast (M) - Pt B	32
17	Southern Midlands (M)	35	39	Burnie (C) - Pt B	32
18	King Island (M)	34	40	Circular Head (M)	32
19	Huon Valley (M)	34	41	West Coast (M)	30
20	Sorell (M) - Pt B	34	42	Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	30
21	Launceston (C) - Inner	34	43	Brighton (M)	26
22	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	34			

Rank	Statistical Local Area	Median personal income (\$ wkly)	Rank	Statistical Local Area	Median personal income (\$ wkly)
1	Launceston (C) - Inner	468	23	Dorset (M)	237
2	Hobart (C) - Inner	387	24	Devonport (C)	237
3	Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	335	25	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	233
4	Kingborough (M) - Pt A	325	26	Burnie (C) - Pt A	232
5	King Island (M)	324	27	Brighton (M)	231
6	Hobart (C) - Remainder	313	28	Launceston (C) - Pt C	230
7	Clarence (C)	289	29	Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	227
8	Latrobe (M) - Pt B	281	30	Central Coast (M) - Pt A	226
9	West Coast (M)	273	31	Huon Valley (M)	225
10	Circular Head (M)	273	32	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	220
11	Sorell (M) - Pt A	270	33	Southern Midlands (M)	217
12	West Tamar (M) - Pt A	268	34	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	217
13	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	266	35	Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	216
14	Burnie (C) - Pt B	261	36	Central Highlands (M)	215
15	Glenorchy (C)	253	37	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	214
16	Flinders (M)	249	38	George Town (M) - Pt A	213
17	Launceston (C) - Pt B	248	39	Kentish (M)	209
18	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	246	40	Sorell (M) - Pt B	202
19	Kingborough (M) - Pt B	244	41	Tasman (M)	197
20	West Tamar (M) - Pt B	242	42	George Town (M) - Pt B	195
21	Central Coast (M) - Pt B	240	43	Break O'Day (M)	188
22	Latrobe (M) - Pt A	238			

Rank	Statistical Local Area	Fully owned (%)	Rank	Statistical Local Area	Fully owned (%)
1	Central Coast (M) - Pt B	55.9	23	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	46.1
2	Break O'Day (M)	53.9	24	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	45.8
3	Latrobe (M) - Pt B	53.8	25	King Island (M)	44.4
4	Kentish (M)	53.5	26	Circular Head (M)	44.1
5	West Coast (M)	53.1	27	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	43.6
6	Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	52.0	28	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	43.3
7	Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	51.8	29	Devonport (C)	43.0
8	Tasman (M)	51.5	30	Kingborough (M) - Pt A	42.9
9	Sorell (M) - Pt B	51.3	31	Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	42.1
10	Launceston (C) - Pt C	50.9	32	Clarence (C)	41.8
11	West Tamar (M) - Pt B	50.6	33	Burnie (C) - Pt A	41.2
12	West Tamar (M) - Pt A	50.4	34	Flinders (M)	40.3
13	Kingborough (M) - Pt B	50.3	35	Launceston (C) - Pt B	39.1
14	George Town (M) - Pt B	49.9	36	Glenorchy (C)	39.0
15	Dorset (M)	49.9	37	Sorell (M) - Pt A	38.3
16	Southern Midlands (M)	49.2	38	Hobart (C) - Remainder	37.7
17	Burnie (C) - Pt B	48.5	39	George Town (M) - Pt A	36.0
18	Huon Valley (M)	48.5	40	Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	35.2
19	Latrobe (M) - Pt A	48.4	41	Brighton (M)	20.2
20	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	46.5	42	Hobart (C) - Inner	19.2
21	Central Highlands (M)	46.5	43	Launceston (C) - Inner	17.4
22	Central Coast (M) - Pt A	46.4			

## B01 SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS

	Male	Female	Persons
Total persons(a)	226 338	233 321	459 659
Aged 15 years and over(a)	172 917	182 273	355 190
Aboriginal	5 977	6 046	12 023
Torres Strait Islander	757	718	1 475
Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(b)	178	197	375
Australian-born	193 884	200 890	394 774
Born overseas:			
Canada, Ireland, NZ, South Africa, UK(c) and USA	14 563	14 169	28 732
Other country(d)	9 154	8 817	17 971
Total	23 717	22 986	46 703
Speaks English only and aged 5 years and over	195 623	202 519	398 142
Speaks language other than English(e) and aged 5 years and over	6 932	7 309	14 241
Australian citizen	210 708	217 366	428 074
Australian citizen aged 18 years and over	150 092	159 343	309 435
Enumerated in private dwelling(a)	219 499	226 813	446 312
Enumerated in non-private dwelling(a)	6 398	6 317	12 715
Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065

(a) Overseas visitors are included in these categories. All other categories exclude overseas visitors.

(b) Applicable to persons who are of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

(c) Comprises England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, and United Kingdom and Ireland n.f.d.

(d) Includes 'inadequately described', 'at sea', and 'not elsewhere classified'.

(e) Includes 'non-verbal so described' and 'inadequately described'.

# B02

## STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE ON CENSUS NIGHT

### B02 STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE ON CENSUS NIGHT

	Male	Female	Persons
Counted at home	215 659	224 133	439 792
Visitor from:			
Same Statistical Local Area	2 330	2 165	4 495
Different Statistical Local Area in:			
New South Wales	577	513	1 090
Victoria	962	732	1 694
Queensland	335	282	617
South Australia	218	166	384
Western Australia	174	163	337
Tasmania	5 505	4 548	10 053
Northern Territory	23	16	39
Australian Capital Territory	54	38	92
Other Territories	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 178</b>	<b>8 623</b>	<b>18 801</b>
Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065
<b>Total</b>	<b>226 337</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 658</b>



## B03 AGE

## B03

## AGE

	Male	Female	Persons		Male	Female	Persons		Male	Female	Persons
0	3 244	3 076	6 320	30	2 978	3 274	6 252	60	1 831	1 901	3 732
1	3 458	3 209	6 667	31	3 108	3 264	6 372	61	1 709	1 671	3 380
2	3 599	3 360	6 959	32	3 410	3 589	6 999	62	1 820	1 800	3 620
3	3 472	3 306	6 778	33	3 456	3 656	7 112	63	1 745	1 791	3 536
4	3 468	3 350	6 818	34	3 541	3 706	7 247	64	1 716	1 742	3 458
0-4	17 241	16 301	33 542	30-34	16 493	17 489	33 982	60-64	8 821	8 905	17 726
5	3 541	3 437	6 978	35	3 732	3 963	7 695	65	1 762	1 821	3 583
6	3 633	3 372	7 005	36	3 550	3 849	7 399	66	1 710	1 735	3 445
7	3 536	3 358	6 894	37	3 541	3 768	7 309	67	1 652	1 767	3 419
8	3 450	3 397	6 847	38	3 683	3 652	7 335	68	1 623	1 754	3 377
9	3 593	3 386	6 979	39	3 384	3 642	7 026	69	1 594	1 633	3 227
5-9	17 753	16 950	34 703	35-39	17 890	18 874	36 764	65-69	8 341	8 710	17 051
10	3 627	3 508	7 135	40	3 687	3 664	7 351	70	1 562	1 757	3 319
11	3 668	3 598	7 266	41	3 272	3 365	6 637	71	1 401	1 642	3 043
12	3 615	3 608	7 223	42	3 342	3 546	6 888	72	1 422	1 695	3 117
13	3 794	3 536	7 330	43	3 517	3 431	6 948	73	1 307	1 653	2 960
14	3 675	3 487	7 162	44	3 325	3 265	6 590	74	1 247	1 626	2 873
10-14	18 379	17 737	36 116	40-44	17 143	17 271	34 414	70-74	6 939	8 373	15 312
15	3 604	3 524	7 128	45	3 284	3 288	6 572	75	1 132	1 576	2 708
16	3 489	3 271	6 760	46	3 235	3 206	6 441	76	1 081	1 503	2 584
17	3 377	3 290	6 667	47	3 073	3 153	6 226	77	855	1 142	1 997
18	3 219	3 096	6 315	48	3 272	3 154	6 426	78	820	1 212	2 032
19	3 092	2 986	6 078	49	3 539	3 287	6 826	79	803	1 162	1 965
15-19	16 781	16 167	32 948	45-49	16 403	16 088	32 491	75-79	4 691	6 595	11 286
20	3 208	3 011	6 219	50	2 805	2 828	5 633	80-84	2 843	4 876	7 719
21	3 083	3 057	6 140	51	2 543	2 517	5 060	85-89	1 190	2 547	3 737
22	3 106	3 056	6 162	52	2 674	2 549	5 223	90-94	294	916	1 210
23	3 035	3 163	6 198	53	2 426	2 291	4 717	95-98	58	200	258
24	3 113	3 292	6 405	54	2 347	2 290	4 637	99 and over	15	52	67
20-24	15 545	15 579	31 124	50-54	12 795	12 475	25 270	Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065
25	3 263	3 415	6 678	55	2 315	2 195	4 510				
26	3 151	3 191	6 342	56	2 161	2 196	4 357				
27	3 194	3 292	6 486	57	2 191	2 029	4 220				
28	3 040	3 178	6 218	58	2 037	2 043	4 080				
29	2 879	3 166	6 045	59	1 992	1 946	3 938				
25-29	15 527	16 242	31 769	55-59	10 696	10 409	21 105				
								<b>Total</b>	<b>226 338</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 659</b>

## B04 AGE, By Registered Marital Status

	MARRIED.....		SEPARATED.....		DIVORCED.....		WIDOWED.....		NEVER MARRIED		TOTAL.....		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Persons
15-19 years	64	120	9	16	20	18	10	14	16 678	15 999	16 781	16 167	32 948
20-24 years	1 237	2 689	70	207	38	89	10	28	14 190	12 566	15 545	15 579	31 124
25-29 years	5 724	7 915	398	680	316	665	16	54	9 073	6 928	15 527	16 242	31 769
30-34 years	9 618	11 353	725	1 050	924	1 482	42	124	5 184	3 480	16 493	17 489	33 982
35-39 years	12 126	13 176	904	1 223	1 554	2 091	50	167	3 256	2 217	17 890	18 874	36 764
40-44 years	12 256	12 544	939	1 048	1 802	2 236	89	279	2 057	1 164	17 143	17 271	34 414
45-49 years	12 297	11 835	845	875	1 829	2 162	127	432	1 305	784	16 403	16 088	32 491
50-54 years	9 799	9 227	550	505	1 451	1 601	179	666	816	476	12 795	12 475	25 270
55-59 years	8 370	7 563	382	317	1 006	1 138	258	1 001	680	390	10 696	10 409	21 105
60-64 years	6 801	6 038	304	252	752	790	372	1 505	592	320	8 821	8 905	17 726
65-69 years	6 450	5 235	216	173	542	569	573	2 373	581	360	8 341	8 710	17 051
70-74 years	5 191	4 141	136	125	350	346	834	3 407	428	354	6 939	8 373	15 312
75-79 years	3 268	2 358	92	71	186	232	885	3 621	280	313	4 691	6 595	11 286
80-84 years	1 800	1 127	37	27	85	102	763	3 330	158	290	2 843	4 876	7 719
85-89 years	598	304	9	11	23	42	494	2 016	66	174	1 190	2 547	3 737
90 years and over	127	52	6	—	11	14	199	984	24	116	367	1 166	1 533
Overseas visitor	182	185	13	9	25	21	11	40	221	270	452	505	957
<b>Total</b>	<b>95 908</b>	<b>95 842</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>6 589</b>	<b>10 914</b>	<b>13 598</b>	<b>4 912</b>	<b>20 041</b>	<b>55 549</b>	<b>46 201</b>	<b>172 917</b>	<b>182 271</b>	<b>355 188</b>

## B05 BIRTHPLACE (COUNTRIES)

	Male	Female	Persons
Australia	193 884	200 890	394 774
Canada	227	238	465
Chile	67	60	127
China (excluding Taiwan Province)	190	209	389
Croatia	185	103	288
Egypt	51	31	82
Fiji	121	177	298
Germany, Federal Republic of	1 043	972	2 015
Greece	346	278	624
Hong Kong	168	161	329
Hungary	183	93	276
India	242	265	507
Indonesia	97	98	195
Ireland	295	294	589
Italy	736	497	1 233
Lebanon	44	29	73
Macedonia, FYR of(a)	16	11	27
Malaysia	324	379	703
Malta	70	36	106
Netherlands	1 359	1 328	2 687
New Zealand	1 838	1 725	3 563
Philippines	113	569	682
Poland	582	488	1 050
Serbia and Montenegro, FYRs of(a)	14	12	26
Singapore	141	170	311
South Africa	360	366	726
Sri Lanka	99	88	187
United Kingdom(b)	11 394	11 120	22 514
United States of America	449	426	875
Viet Nam	122	87	209
Born elsewhere overseas(c)	2 871	2 676	5 547
Not stated	8 237	8 880	17 117
Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065
<b>Total</b>	<b>226 338</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 659</b>

(a) FYR is an abbreviation of 'Former Yugoslav Republic'.

(b) Comprises England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, and United Kingdom and Ireland n.f.d.

(c) Includes 'inadequately described', 'at sea' and 'not elsewhere classified'.

## B06 BIRTHPLACE (REGIONS)

	Male	Female	Persons
Oceania and Antarctica:			
Australia	193 884	200 890	394 774
Other	2 162	2 131	4 293
<b>Total</b>	<b>196 046</b>	<b>203 021</b>	<b>399 067</b>
Europe and the Former USSR:			
Europe and the Former USSR n.f.d.	5	4	9
United Kingdom and Ireland	11 689	11 414	23 103
Southern Europe	1 746	1 181	2 927
Western Europe	2 881	2 693	5 574
Northern Europe	227	208	435
Eastern Europe	966	723	1 689
The Former USSR and the Baltic States	264	231	495
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 778</b>	<b>16 454</b>	<b>34 232</b>
The Middle East and North Africa:			
The Middle East and North Africa n.f.d.	—	—	—
The Middle East	190	163	353
North Africa	65	39	104
<b>Total</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>457</b>
Southeast Asia	1 019	1 574	2 593
Northeast Asia	506	663	1 169
Southern Asia	431	396	827
Northern America	680	666	1 346
South America, Central America and the Caribbean:			
South America, Central America and the Caribbean n.f.d.	—	—	—
South America	138	153	291
Central America	113	125	238
The Caribbean	18	20	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>567</b>
Africa (excluding North Africa):			
Africa (excluding North Africa) n.f.d.	—	—	—
Central and West Africa	23	20	43
Southern and East Africa	566	549	1 115
<b>Total</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>1 158</b>
Other(a)	28	33	61
Not stated	8 237	8 880	17 117
Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065
<b>Total</b>	<b>226 338</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 659</b>

(a) Comprises 'inadequately described', 'at sea' and 'not elsewhere classified'.

## B07 BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS (Australian-born persons)

## FATHER

	Born in Australia	Born in Canada, Ireland, NZ, South Africa, UK(a) and USA	Born in other overseas country(b)	Total overseas- born	Not stated	Total
MOTHER						
Born in Australia	335 636	15 884	7 717	23 601	2 736	361 973
Born overseas:						
Canada, Ireland, NZ, South Africa, UK(a) and USA	11 022	6 660	961	7 621	132	18 775
Other country(b)	3 598	722	6 538	7 260	61	10 919
Total	14 620	7 382	7 499	14 881	193	29 694
Not stated	622	48	56	104	2 381	3 107
<b>Total</b>	<b>350 878</b>	<b>23 314</b>	<b>15 272</b>	<b>38 586</b>	<b>5 310</b>	<b>394 774</b>

(a) Comprises England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, and United Kingdom and Ireland n.f.d.

(b) Includes 'inadequately described', 'at sea' and 'not elsewhere classified'.

# B08

## LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME (Aged 5 years & over)

### B08 LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME (Aged 5 years and over)

	Male	Female	Persons
Speaks English only	195 623	202 519	398 142
Speaks other language:			
Arabic (including Lebanese)	172	157	329
Australian Indigenous languages	14	17	31
Chinese languages:			
Cantonese	379	392	771
Mandarin	209	203	412
Other	52	56	108
Total	640	651	1 291
Croatian	179	143	322
French	167	201	368
German	914	949	1 863
Greek	647	612	1 259
Hungarian	87	79	146
Indonesian	78	69	145
Italian	833	779	1 612
Macedonian	22	17	39
Malay	73	97	170
Maltese	21	12	33
Netherlandic	559	691	1 250
Polish	515	560	1 075
Portuguese	23	19	42
Russian	63	63	126
Serbian	64	49	113
Spanish	241	257	498
Tagalog (Filipino)	60	290	350
Turkish	35	28	63
Vietnamese	71	53	124
Other(a)	1 476	1 516	2 992
Total	6 932	7 309	14 241
Not stated	6 042	6 627	12 669
Overseas visitor	490	555	1 045
<b>Total</b>	<b>209 087</b>	<b>217 010</b>	<b>426 097</b>

(a) Includes 'inadequately described' and 'non-verbal so described'.

### B09 PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH (Persons born overseas aged 5 years and over(a)), By Year Of Arrival

	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1986- 1990	1981 1985	Before 1981	Not stated	Total
Speaks English only	319	382	329	243	270	402	2 496	2 413	27 536	1 007	35 397
Speaks other language and speaks English:											
Very well	99	166	142	120	151	143	696	569	3 121	86	5 293
Well	181	231	173	106	92	118	386	218	2 065	72	3 632
Not well	104	136	79	45	29	50	117	67	550	28	1 205
Not at all	21	18	7	7	7	11	22	9	46	—	148
Not stated(b)	8	5	5	8	4	—	22	11	63	33	159
Total	413	556	406	286	283	322	1 243	874	5 835	219	10 437
Not stated(c)	—	6	—	3	3	—	18	9	197	58	294
<b>Total</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>3 757</b>	<b>3 296</b>	<b>33 568</b>	<b>1 284</b>	<b>46 128</b>

(a) Excludes overseas visitors, persons who did not state their birthplace and persons born overseas who stated they would be in Australia for less than 1 year.

(b) Comprises cases where language was stated but proficiency was not stated.

(c) Comprises cases where both language and proficiency were not stated.

## B10 RELIGION

	Male	Female	Persons
<b>Christian:</b>			
Anglican	74 883	81 309	156 192
Baptist	4 629	5 098	9 727
Brethren	1 462	1 616	3 078
Catholic	42 835	46 321	89 156
Churches of Christ	740	941	1 681
Jehovah's Witnesses	990	1 278	2 268
Latter Day Saints	744	864	1 608
Lutheran	1 095	1 081	2 176
Oriental Christian	21	15	36
Orthodox	1 140	1 008	2 148
Pentecostal	1 764	2 020	3 784
Presbyterian and Reformed	6 748	7 229	13 977
Salvation Army	1 296	1 570	2 866
Seventh-day Adventist	512	651	1 163
Uniting Church	15 889	19 012	34 901
Other Protestant	403	486	889
Other Christian	342	438	780
Christian, n.f.d.	2 886	3 152	6 038
<b>Total</b>	<b>158 379</b>	<b>174 089</b>	<b>332 468</b>
<b>Non-Christian:</b>			
Buddhism	523	491	1 014
Hinduism	222	222	444
Islam	442	365	807
Judaism	83	84	167
Other religions	638	591	1 229
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 908</b>	<b>1 753</b>	<b>3 661</b>
No religion(a)	41 990	34 869	76 859
Inadequately described(b)	710	569	1 279
Not stated	22 851	21 476	44 327
Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065
<b>Total</b>	<b>226 338</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 659</b>

(a) Includes 'No religion n.f.d.', 'Agnosticism', 'Atheism', 'Humanism' and 'Rationalism'.

(b) Includes 'Religious belief, n.f.d.'.



## B11 TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION ATTENDING (FULL-TIME/PART-TIME)

	Male	Female	Persons
Pre-school	2 167	2 086	4 253
Infants/primary:			
Government	18 670	17 616	36 286
Catholic	3 636	3 665	7 301
Other non-government	1 919	1 882	3 801
Total	24 225	23 163	47 388
Secondary:			
Government	11 211	11 068	22 279
Catholic	2 593	2 763	5 356
Other non-government	2 220	2 181	4 401
Total	16 024	16 012	32 036
Technical or Further Educational Institution:			
Full-time	1 983	2 229	4 212
Part-time	3 585	3 566	7 151
Not stated	49	24	73
Total	5 617	5 819	11 436
University or other tertiary institutions:			
Full-time	3 940	4 134	8 074
Part-time	2 056	2 494	4 550
Not stated	23	14	37
Total	6 019	6 642	12 661
Other:			
Full-time	282	309	591
Part-time	479	883	1 362
Not stated	17	29	46
Total	778	1 221	1 999
Not attending	160 220	165 702	325 922
Not stated	10 788	12 111	22 899
Overseas visitor	500	565	1 065
<b>Total</b>	<b>226 338</b>	<b>233 321</b>	<b>459 659</b>

# B12

AGE LEFT SCHOOL (Aged 15 years and over)

## B12 AGE LEFT SCHOOL (Aged 15 years and over)

	Male	Female	Persons
14 years and under	23 188	23 945	47 133
15 years	41 491	46 928	88 419
16 years	50 038	51 199	101 237
17 years	20 625	22 663	43 288
18 years	13 536	12 554	26 090
19 years and over	4 465	4 087	8 552
Still at school	7 234	7 293	14 527
Never attended school	543	495	1 038
Not stated	11 345	12 604	23 949
Overseas visitor	452	505	957
<b>Total</b>	<b>172 917</b>	<b>182 273</b>	<b>355 190</b>

## B13 WEEKLY INDIVIDUAL INCOME, By Age and Sex

	15-19 years	20-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	75 years and over	Total
MALE									
Negative income	183	40	85	184	233	123	53	29	930
Nil income	4 313	478	425	445	475	398	112	54	6 698
\$1-\$39	1 314	196	189	256	205	118	47	24	2 349
\$40-\$79	2 127	273	145	192	216	208	105	59	3 325
\$80-\$119	1 602	735	408	447	507	443	345	182	4 669
\$120-\$159	1 387	2 307	3 052	2 816	2 838	4 187	4 289	2 195	23 071
\$160-\$199	898	1 143	1 649	1 687	1 653	2 088	2 953	1 966	14 037
\$200-\$299	1 735	1 636	2 132	2 372	2 140	2 290	2 930	1 867	17 102
\$300-\$399	857	2 598	3 371	2 945	2 377	1 755	1 346	627	15 876
\$400-\$499	273	2 509	4 955	4 363	3 392	1 964	965	480	18 901
\$500-\$599	78	1 472	4 731	4 367	3 252	1 469	508	241	16 118
\$600-\$699	28	671	3 265	3 281	2 334	918	269	152	10 918
\$700-\$799	17	348	2 391	2 989	2 116	725	158	94	8 838
\$800-\$999	8	222	2 371	4 104	3 030	878	157	90	10 860
\$1 000-\$1 499	10	89	1 248	2 444	2 236	717	123	80	6 947
\$1 500 or more	9	40	314	879	981	397	94	48	2 762
Not stated	1 942	788	1 289	1 262	1 213	841	828	903	9 064
Overseas visitor	66	59	111	82	73	32	22	7	452
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 847</b>	<b>15 604</b>	<b>32 131</b>	<b>35 115</b>	<b>29 271</b>	<b>19 549</b>	<b>15 302</b>	<b>9 098</b>	<b>172 917</b>
FEMALE									
Negative income	176	33	116	188	234	123	53	39	962
Nil income	3 986	523	1 433	1 728	2 453	1 256	241	119	11 730
\$1-\$39	1 321	341	1 597	1 299	678	361	133	62	5 792
\$40-\$79	2 361	611	2 372	1 893	763	551	343	173	9 067
\$80-\$119	1 685	854	1 597	1 495	1 147	870	700	367	8 715
\$120-\$159	1 638	1 958	2 777	3 126	3 944	5 147	4 813	2 695	26 096
\$160-\$199	992	1 415	2 617	2 722	2 672	3 385	4 581	4 920	23 304
\$200-\$299	1 722	2 674	5 353	5 832	3 739	2 758	3 370	3 458	28 906
\$300-\$399	547	2 688	4 508	4 902	2 967	1 226	862	725	18 425
\$400-\$499	116	2 031	3 497	3 988	2 777	896	388	312	14 005
\$500-\$599	40	1 208	2 755	2 654	1 967	592	206	173	9 595
\$600-\$699	8	357	1 561	1 561	1 130	284	86	64	5 051
\$700-\$799	4	123	990	1 278	1 014	284	70	55	3 818
\$800-\$999	3	61	755	1 398	1 114	303	61	48	3 743
\$1 000-\$1 499	3	23	238	409	360	117	38	26	1 214
\$1 500 or more	8	19	106	179	137	57	38	42	586
Not stated	1 558	662	1 459	1 493	1 467	1 104	1 100	1 908	10 751
Overseas visitor	136	61	90	67	67	36	29	19	605
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 304</b>	<b>15 640</b>	<b>33 821</b>	<b>36 212</b>	<b>28 630</b>	<b>19 350</b>	<b>17 112</b>	<b>15 205</b>	<b>182 274</b>

B13 WEEKLY INDIVIDUAL INCOME, By Age and Sex *continued*

	15 19 years	20 24 years	25 34 years	35 44 years	45 54 years	55 64 years	65 74 years	75 years and over	Total
PERSONS									
Negative income	359	73	201	372	467	246	106	68	1 892
Nil income	8 299	1 001	1 858	2 173	2 928	1 652	353	173	18 437
\$1-\$39	2 635	537	1 786	1 555	883	479	180	86	8 141
\$40-\$79	4 488	884	2 517	2 085	979	759	448	232	12 392
\$80-\$119	3 287	1 589	2 005	1 942	1 654	1 313	1 045	549	13 384
\$120-\$159	3 025	4 263	5 829	5 942	6 782	9 334	9 102	4 890	49 167
\$160-\$199	1 890	2 558	4 266	4 409	4 325	5 473	7 534	6 886	37 341
\$200-\$299	3 457	4 310	7 485	8 204	5 879	5 048	6 300	5 325	46 008
\$300-\$399	1 404	5 288	7 879	7 847	5 344	2 981	2 208	1 352	34 301
\$400-\$499	389	4 540	8 452	8 351	6 169	2 860	1 353	792	32 906
\$500-\$599	118	2 680	7 486	7 021	5 219	2 061	714	414	25 713
\$600-\$699	36	1 028	4 826	4 842	3 464	1 202	355	216	15 969
\$700-\$799	21	471	3 381	4 267	3 130	1 009	228	149	12 656
\$800-\$999	11	283	3 126	5 502	4 144	1 181	218	138	14 603
\$1 000-\$1 499	13	112	1 486	2 853	2 596	834	161	106	8 161
\$1 500 or more	17	59	420	1 058	1 118	454	132	90	3 348
Not stated	3 500	1 450	2 748	2 755	2 680	1 945	1 928	2 811	19 815
Overseas visitor	202	120	201	149	146	68	151	26	957
<b>Total</b>	<b>33 151</b>	<b>31 244</b>	<b>65 952</b>	<b>71 327</b>	<b>57 901</b>	<b>38 899</b>	<b>32 414</b>	<b>24 303</b>	<b>355 191</b>

## B14 DWELLING STRUCTURE, By Tenure Type (Private dwellings)

## OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS.....

	Fully owned	Being purchased	Being purchased under a rent/buy scheme	Rented	Being occupied rent free	Being occupied under a life tenure scheme	Other	Not stated	Total occupied private dwellings	Unoccupied private dwellings	Total dwellings
Separate house	69 145	44 120	1 209	27 431	2 111	515	708	4 245	149 484	19 964	169 448
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.											
1 storey	1 417	459	24	4 157	46	134	17	287	6 541	883	7 424
2 or more storeys	389	242	3	970	21	6	6	58	1 695	250	1 945
Total	1 806	701	27	5 127	67	140	23	345	8 236	1 133	9 369
Flat, unit or apartment:											
In a 1 or 2 storey block	1 797	495	22	8 094	118	103	31	598	11 258	1 765	13 023
In a 3 storey block	176	41	0	745	12	7	3	71	1 055	176	1 231
In a 4 or more storey block	109	13	3	317	3	3	3	42	493	116	609
Attached to a house	104	34	3	754	67	9	12	55	1 038	211	1 249
Total	2 186	583	28	9 910	200	122	49	766	13 844	2 268	16 112
Other dwelling:											
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	449	59	3	262	33	0	16	122	944	625	1 569
Improvised home, tent, sleepers out	59	29	0	14	8	0	6	16	132	296	428
House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.	197	200	4	519	72	0	22	55	1 069	199	1 268
Total	705	288	7	795	113	0	44	193	2 145	1 120	3 265
Not stated	418	307	3	353	25	8	13	349	1 486	1 442	2 928
<b>Total</b>	<b>74 260</b>	<b>45 999</b>	<b>1 274</b>	<b>43 626</b>	<b>2 516</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>5 898</b>	<b>175 195</b>	<b>25 927</b>	<b>201 122</b>

# B15

PERSONS, By Dwelling Structure

## B15 PERSONS(a), By Dwelling Structure

	Persons
Separate house	403 408
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc. with:	
1 storey	10 239
2 or more storeys	3 399
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 638</b>
Flat, unit or apartment:	
In a 1 or 2 storey block	17 129
In a 3 storey block	1 473
In a 4 or more storey block	732
Attached to a house	1 547
<b>Total</b>	<b>20 881</b>
Other dwelling:	
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	1 467
Improvised home, tent, sleepers out	257
House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.	2 483
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 207</b>
Not stated	3 415
<b>Total</b>	<b>445 549</b>

(a) This table excludes overseas visitors.

## B16 DWELLING STRUCTURE, By Dwelling Location (Occupied Dwellings)

	Caravan park	Marina	Manufactured home estate	Accommodation for the retired or aged (self-care)	Other	Total
Separate house	13	—	3	108	149 362	149 486
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc. with:						
1 storey	—	—	—	394	6 146	6 540
2 or more storeys	—	—	—	—	1 695	1 695
Total	—	—	—	394	7 841	8 235
Flat, unit or apartment:						
In a 1 or 2 storey block	4	—	4	188	11 062	11 258
In a 3 storey block	—	—	—	—	1 056	1 056
In a 4 or more storey block	—	—	—	—	491	491
Attached to a house	—	—	—	—	1 038	1 038
Total	4	—	4	188	13 647	13 843
Other dwelling:						
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	579	10	—	—	356	945
Improvised home, tent, sleepers out	3	—	—	—	129	132
House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.	4	—	—	—	1 067	1 071
Total	586	10	—	—	1 552	2 148
Not stated	43	3	12	81	1 349	1 488
<b>Total</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>173 751</b>	<b>175 200</b>

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

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### SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- 1** The 1996 Census of Population and Housing was held on 6 August 1996. The first census was held in 1911 and since 1961 a census has been taken every five years, a frequency which is specified in the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*. The objective of the census is to measure accurately the number and key characteristics of people in Australia on census night, and the dwellings in which they live.
- 2** The census aims to count every person who spent census night in Australia. This includes Australian residents in Antarctica and people in the territories of Jervis Bay, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Christmas Island. The other Australian External Territories, Norfolk Island and minor islands such as Heard and McDonald Islands, are outside the scope of the Australian Census. The only group of people who spend census night in Australia but are excluded from the census are foreign diplomats and their families.
- 3** The census includes people on vessels in or between Australian ports, on board long distance trains, buses or aircraft and on oil or gas rigs off the Australian coast. People entering Australia before midnight on census night are counted while people leaving an Australian port for an overseas destination before midnight on census night are not. Visitors to Australia are included regardless of how long they have been in the country or how long they plan to stay. However, for people who intend to be in Australia less than six months only basic demographic data are available. The census includes people camping out and the homeless.
- 4** All private dwellings, except diplomatic dwellings, are included in the census, whether occupied or unoccupied. Caravans in caravan parks, manufactured homes in manufactured home estates and self-care units in accommodation for the retired or aged are counted only if occupied. Occupied non-private dwellings, such as hospitals, prisons, hotels, etc. are also included.
- 5** Details about the 1996 Census content, collection operations, confidentiality and privacy protection, processing and evaluation activities are contained in *1996 Census of Population and Housing: Nature and Content of the Census* (Cat. no. 2008.0).

### BASIC COMMUNITY PROFILE TABLES B01 TO B16

- 6** Tables numbered B01 to B16 contained in this publication are from the 1996 Census Basic Community Profile (Cat. no. 2901.0-8). These tables are available in hardcopy or electronic format for all standard census geographic areas. For more information about the Community Profiles please refer to the Appendix.

### ABS POPULATION ESTIMATES

- 7** This publication contains population counts based on where people were counted on census night, which may not have been where they usually lived. The census can provide person counts based on place of usual residence at the geographic level of Statistical Local Area (SLA).
- 8** Official ABS population estimates (estimated resident population) are also separately available from the ABS. The estimates are based on census counts that have been adjusted to:
  - include people who were in Australia on census night but were missed in the census;
  - include Australian residents who were temporarily overseas on census night (these people were not within scope of the census); and
  - exclude overseas visitors counted in the census who were not usual residents of Australia.
- 9** The adjusted census count is then updated quarterly using demographic statistics. These are statistics on births, deaths, and overseas and internal migration.



## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

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### ABS POPULATION ESTIMATES *continued*

**10** ABS population estimates are published in *Australian Demographic Statistics* (Cat. no. 3101.0), produced quarterly, and in *Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age: States and Territories of Australia* (Cat. no. 3201.0) produced annually.

**11** The ABS also provides projections (based on different assumptions as to future fertility, mortality and migration) of the resident population of Australia, States and Territories. These projections are published biennially in *Projections of the Populations of Australia, States and Territories* (Cat. no. 3222.0).

### DATA LIMITATIONS

**12** Census data are subject to a number of inaccuracies resulting from errors by respondents or mistakes in collection or processing. Whilst many of these are corrected by careful processing procedures, some still remain. The effect of the remaining errors is generally slight, although it may be more important for small groups in the population. The main kinds of error to keep in mind are:

- **Partial non-response:** In some cases where an answer is not provided to a question an answer is imputed (often from other information on the form). In other cases a 'not stated' code is allocated.
- **Processing error:** While such errors can occur in any processing system, quality management is used continuously to improve the quality of processed data, and to identify and correct data of unacceptable quality.
- **Random adjustment:** Table cells containing small values are randomly adjusted or suppressed to avoid releasing information about particular individuals, families, or households. The effects of these adjustments are statistically insignificant.
- **Respondent error:** Because processing procedures cannot detect or repair all errors made by people in completing the forms, some remain in final data.
- **Undercount:** Although the census aims to count each person, there are some people who are missed and others are counted more than once. The data in this publication are not adjusted for the net undercount.

**13** Further information on data quality is provided progressively in *Census Update* and in *1996 Census Data Quality Working Papers*.

### OVERSEAS VISITORS

**14** Data for overseas visitors (who intend to be in Australia for less than six months) are restricted to age, sex and marital status. In this publication overseas visitors contribute only to the male, female and total person counts.

### CALCULATIONS OF PROPORTIONS

**15** When calculating the proportion of the population with a particular characteristic 'Not stated' responses are included in the denominator. For example, in the Summary of Findings, the *Proportion of Australian-born* was calculated by dividing the number of persons who stated that they were Australian-born by the total population (including those who did not report their birthplace) and expressing the result as a percentage.

### CALCULATION OF MEDIANS

**16** A median is a measure of central tendency. It is a mid value which divides a population distribution into two, with half the observations falling below it and half above it. Unlike averages (means) medians are not usually skewed by extreme observations.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### CALCULATION OF MEDIANS *continued*

**17** There are a number of issues to be aware of:

- The categories 'Not stated', 'Overseas visitor', and 'Not applicable' are not included in the calculation of medians.
- If a median falls into a category that has a text only label then the median is set to 0. For this publication this is only relevant to the calculation of median personal income, as the income classification includes categories 'Nil income' and 'Negative income'.
- If the median is calculated on a classification containing ranges and a range is open-ended and the median falls within that category, the median is set to the number in the label. For example, in the calculation of median personal income, if the median falls in the last range \$1,500 or more, \$1,500 is allocated as the median.

### UNADJUSTED DOLLARS

**18** The 1991 Census dollar values for Median Personal Income, Median Housing Loan Repayments and Median Rent Paid have not been adjusted into 1996 dollars.

### SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

**19** The following abbreviations and symbols are used in this publication:

#### General abbreviations and symbols

Mthly	Monthly
Wkly	Weekly
n.f.d	Not further defined
—	Nil

#### Spatial units

LGA	Local Government Area
SD	Statistical Division
SLA	Statistical Local Area
SSD	Statistical Subdivision

#### LGA type

(A)	Area
(B)	Borough
(C)	City
(CGC)	Community Government Council
(DC)	District Council
(M)	Municipality
(S)	Shire
(RC)	Rural City
(T)	Town

#### Miscellaneous

Bal	Balance
Pt	Part

## APPENDIX — CENSUS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

There is a wide range of products and services developed from the 1996 Census of Population and Housing, details of which are listed in brief below. For more detailed information on the 1996 Census range of products and services, please refer to the *1996 Census of Population and Housing, Directory of Census Statistics* (Cat. no. 2910.0), or call our Client Services Officers in your State or Territory (refer to the telephone numbers listed on the back page of this publication).

### CENSUS REFERENCE PRODUCTS

#### Census Dictionary

The *Census Dictionary* (Cat. no. 2901.0) is a comprehensive reference guide to the concepts and terms used in the 1996 Census of Population and Housing. It includes a complete listing of the 1996 Census classifications and a glossary of census terms.

#### How Australia Takes a Census

*How Australia Takes a Census* (Cat. no. 2903.0) provides information about the history of the census, the planning process and the way in which the census is conducted.

#### Geographic Classifications and Codes

*Statistical Geography: Volume 1 Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)* (Cat. no. 1216.0) provides information about the names and codes of the geographic areas used in the 1996 Census.

#### 1996 Census Statistical Local Area Maps

These reference maps show the Statistical Local Areas (SLAs) from the 1996 Census. Each map shows the boundary of an SLA and the CD boundaries contained within.

#### Digital Boundaries

All of the census boundaries are available electronically in industry formats through a range of secondary providers.

### CENSUS DATA PRODUCTS

#### Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

The ERP is the official population figure and is based on adjusting the results of the census to provide more accurately the numbers of people usually living in an area.

Two publications containing ERP data, based on 1996 Census figures are:

- *Australian Demographic Statistics — 1996 Census Edition* (Cat. no. 3101.0); and
- *Regional Population Growth, Australia — 1996 Census Edition* (Cat. no. 3218.0).

#### Selected Characteristics

This series of publications contains data and commentary on various person and dwelling characteristics from the 1996 Census at selected geographic levels. There are three publications in the series:

- *Census of Population and Housing: Selected Social and Housing Characteristics for Statistical Local Areas* (Cat. nos. 2015.0–8);
- *Census of Population and Housing: Selected Social and Housing Characteristics for Urban Centres and Localities* (Cat. nos. 2016.0–8), (indicative release date: January 1998); and

# APPENDIX — CENSUS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES *continued*

## Selected Characteristics *continued*

- *Census of Population and Housing: Selected Family and Labour Force Characteristics for Statistical Local Areas* (Cat. nos. 2017.0–8), (indicative release date: March 1998).

## Community Profile Series

The *Community Profile Series* (Cat. nos. 2901.0–8) provides detailed and comprehensive census characteristics of people, families and dwellings for small areas. This series is available for all standard census geographic areas, and is available in hardcopy and electronic formats.

The series comprises six community profiles:

- *Basic Community Profile (BCP)* contains 32 tables of detailed data covering dwelling, household and family topics. This profile is available for all standard census geographic areas, Commonwealth (CED) and State Electoral Divisions (SED), Postal Areas, and Suburbs, for the States/Territories and Australia.
- *Time Series Community Profile* contains 21 tables of variables from the Basic Community Profile comparing data from the 1986, 1991 and 1996 Censuses where the classifications are comparable.
- *Usual Residents Profile* contains 25 tables based on the usual residents of SLAs. This is the only community profile based on place of usual residence.
- *Expanded Community Profile* contains 41 tables available for SLAs and larger areas, comprising more detailed versions of some of the basic profile tables, plus new tables.
- *Working Population Profile* contains 17 tables of labour force and related characteristics of people who work and are counted in SLAs within the journey to work (JTW) study areas — usually capital cities.
- *Summary Indigenous Profile* contains selected characteristics of Indigenous people in two tables which are available at the Indigenous Location level.
- *Detailed Indigenous Profile* contains selected characteristics of Indigenous people in 26 tables which are available for Indigenous Areas, ATSI Regions, States and Territories.

## CDATA96

*CDATA96* (Cat. nos. 2019.0–8) is a CD-ROM product which provides a large volume of tabulated census data, digital boundaries and base map data. It includes software capable of producing tables, maps and graphs of the data.

## KEYDATA

*CENSUS KEYDATA* (Cat. no. 2023.0) is a CD-ROM product which provides access to 1996 Census Community Profiles and Classification Counts data and Digital Boundaries, using a specially encrypted CD-ROM.

## Classification Counts

*Classification Counts* (Cat. nos. 2022.0–8) provides frequency counts for 1996 Census variables in complete classificatory detail, for every State and capital city.

## Census Household Sample File

The *1996 Census Household Sample File* (Cat. no. 2913.0) provides a comprehensive unit record database of census characteristics, containing a sample of private households and associated persons, and persons in non-private dwellings.

## Social Atlas Series

The *Social Atlas* (Cat. nos. 2840.1–8) publications feature colour maps of the key social, demographic and economic characteristics of each capital city.

## APPENDIX — CENSUS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES *continued*

### Australia in Profile — A Regional Analysis

*Australia in Profile — A Regional Analysis* (Cat. no. 2821.0) provides commentary and data on a number of key social indicators from the 1996 Census, with the focus on regional distributions and comparisons.

### CONSULTANCY SERVICES

The following census specific services are available:

#### Thematic Profile Service

The *Thematic Profiles Service* provides profiles on request, covering the themes of the Family, Young People, Older People and Ethnicity, on a variety of media.

#### Customised Profile Service

The *Customised Profiles Service* provides community profile data tailored to your needs, on a variety of media.

#### Customised Tables Service

The *Customised Tables (Matrix) Service* provides detailed cross-classified tables tailored to your needs on a variety of media.

#### Customised Geographic Data Reports Service

The *Customised Geographic Data Reports Service* provides tabular geographic data which relate specifically to the census Geographic Areas and their characteristics (e.g. area).

#### Customised Mapping Service

Through the *Customised Mapping Service* you are able to purchase both Customised Thematic Maps and Customised Reference Maps on request.

# GLOSSARY

General descriptions of terms and concepts used in this publication are provided below. Tables are also footnoted where applicable for additional clarity. Detailed definitions of classifications and concepts are available in the *1996 Census Dictionary* (Cat. no. 2901.0).

**Dwelling** A dwelling is a building or structure in which people live. This can be a building, such as a house; part of a building, such as a flat; or it can be a caravan or tent, humpy or park bench. Houses under construction, derelict houses, vacant tents, or converted garages, are not counted in the census.

There are private and non-private dwellings.

A private dwelling is normally a house, flat, part of a house, or even a room; but can also be a house attached to, or rooms above, shops or offices; an occupied caravan or unit in a caravan park or craft in a marina; occupied dwelling in a Manufactured Home Estate; occupied self-care unit in Accommodation for the Retired or Aged; a houseboat; or tent if it is standing on its own block of land. An occupied caravan situated on a residential allotment is also classed as a private dwelling. Private dwellings can be either occupied or unoccupied.

Non-private dwellings are those dwellings not included above, which provide a communal or transitory type of accommodation. These dwellings include hotels, motels, guest houses, prisons, religious and charitable institutions, defence establishments, hospitals and other communal dwellings. Only occupied non-private dwellings are included in the census.

**Geographic areas** The tables in this publication are at the levels of Statistical Local Area, Statistical Subdivision and Statistical Division, as defined by the 1996 Census edition of the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC).

*Statistical Local Area (SLA)*: These areas consist of one or more whole Census Collection Districts (CDs) and cover, in aggregate, the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps.

SLAs correspond in many cases to Local Government Areas (LGAs). The main exceptions are:

- where the boundaries of one or more Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs) cut across an LGA, the LGA is split into two or more parts, each of which forms a separate SLA;
- where a particular LGA is substantially different from other LGAs in terms of size and economic significance, or in terms of user needs for statistics, the LGA may be split into two or more SLAs. For example, the City of Brisbane covers a large area and is split into 163 SLAs while most LGAs in Victoria are split into two or more SLAs following the recent restructuring of local government in that State;
- where an area is unincorporated (i.e. not part of an LGA) an SLA is created.

*Local Government Area (LGA)*: LGAs are spatial units which represent the whole undivided geographic area of responsibility of either:

- an incorporated local government council; or
- an incorporated community government council (CGC) where the CGC is of sufficient size and statistical significance.

LGAs cover only part of Australia. The major areas not covered by LGAs are the large northern parts of South Australia, most of the Northern Territory, and all of the Australian Capital Territory and Other Territories. For the 1996 Census, LGA boundaries are as defined on 5 August 1995 and included in the 1996 Edition of the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) (effective 1 July 1996).

## Geographic areas *continued*

**Statistical Subdivision (SSD):** These areas consist of one or more SIAs and cover, in aggregate, the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps.

**Statistical Division (SD):** These areas consist of one or more SSDs and cover, in aggregate, the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps. They do not cross State or Territory boundaries. However, the Other Territories, Jervis Bay Territory and the Territories of Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands together form one SD. Capital city SDs are predominantly urban in character and the boundaries are delineated to contain the anticipated urban development of the capital cities (and associated urban centres) for a period of at least 20 years.

SDs outside the capital city are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic links between the inhabitants and the economic units in the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.

**State/Territory (STE):** States and Territories consist of one or more SDs and are the largest type of spatial unit in the ASGC. The six Australian States and five Territories which are part of geographic Australia and included in the 1996 ASGC are New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, Tasmania, Northern Territory, Australian Capital Territory, Jervis Bay Territory and the external Territories of Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands. In the ASGC, Jervis Bay Territory, the Territory of Christmas Island and the Territory of Cocos (Keeling) Islands are combined to form Other Territories (OT).

Codes for State/Territory are as follows:

- 1 – New South Wales
- 2 – Victoria
- 3 – Queensland
- 4 – South Australia
- 5 – Western Australia
- 6 – Tasmania
- 7 – Northern Territory
- 8 – Australian Capital Territory
- 9 – Other Territories

More information about definitions, and lists of codes and names of the geographic areas can be found in *Volume 1: Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)* (Cat. no. 1216.0) effective date 1 July 1996.

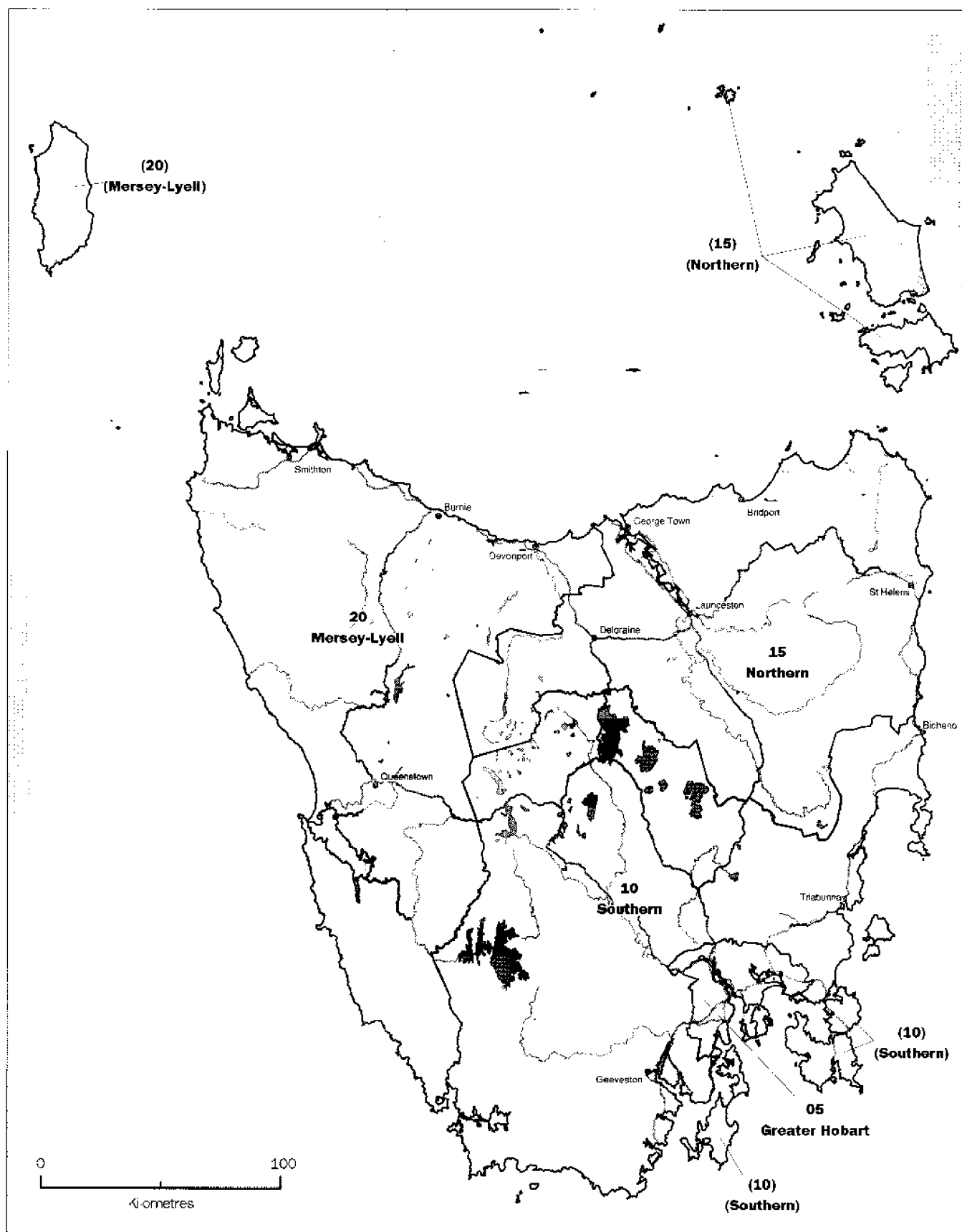
**Income** People aged 15 years or more are asked to state their usual gross weekly income, which is the income before tax, superannuation, health insurance, or other deductions are made. Gross income includes family allowance, family allowance supplement, pensions, unemployment benefits, student allowances, maintenance (child support), superannuation, wages, salary, overtime, dividends, rents received, interest received, business or farm income (less operation expenses) and worker's compensation received.

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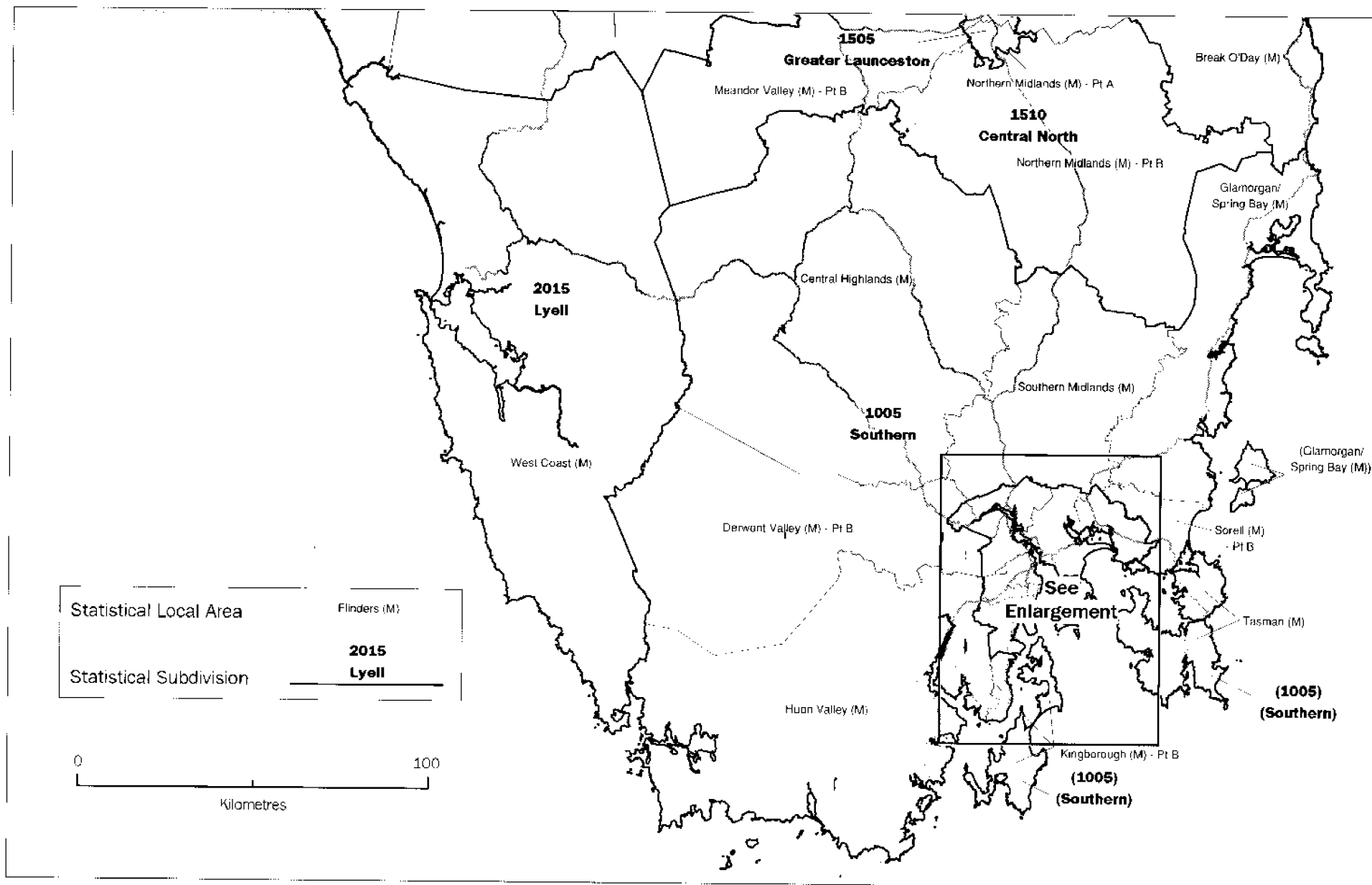
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- Indigenous** A person is defined to be of Indigenous origin if he or she identifies himself or herself as of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin.
- Overseas-born** Overseas-born people are those who state that they were born in a country other than Australia, those born at sea, and those whose responses are classed as 'Inadequately described' or 'Not elsewhere classified'.

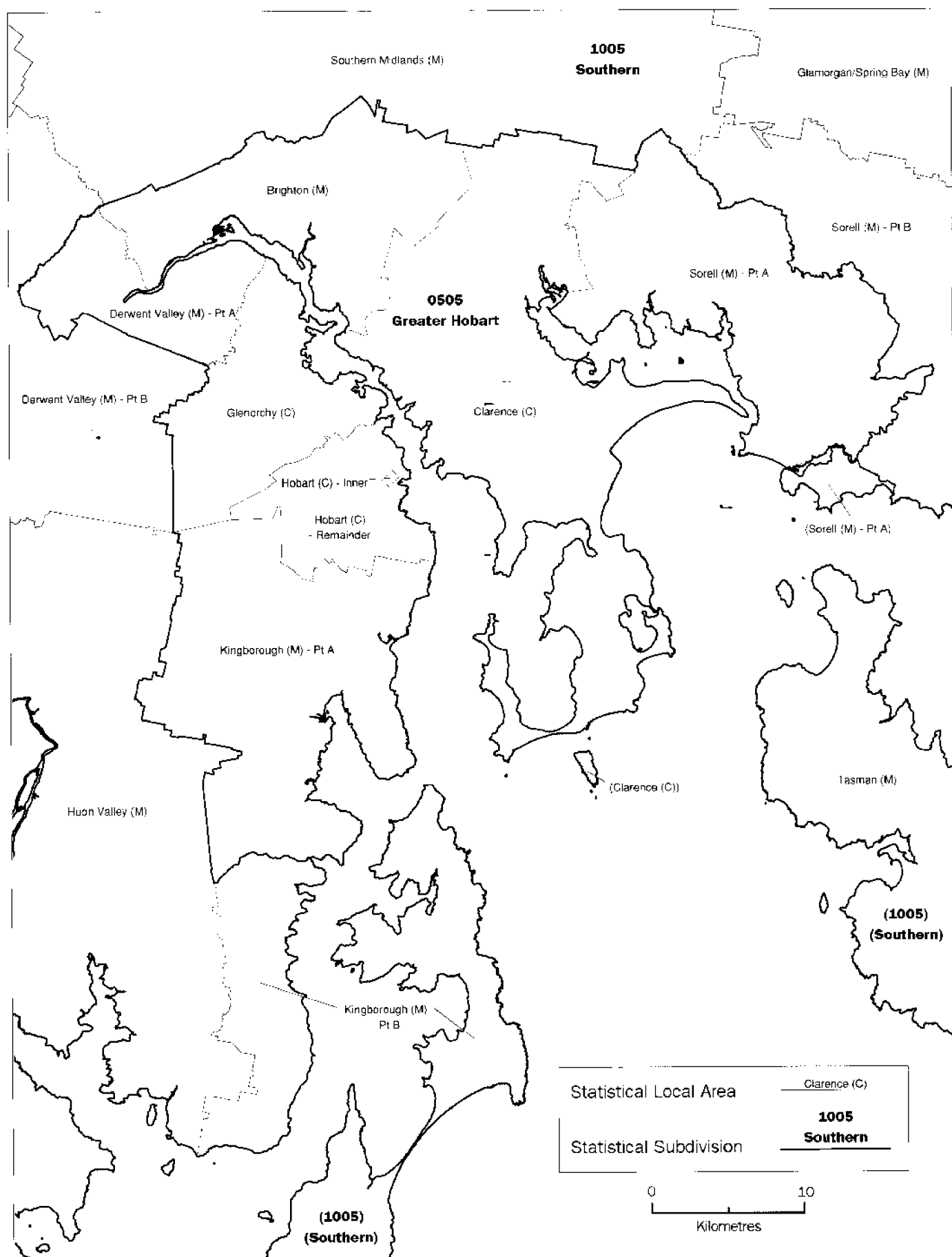








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